



# U9 Buzz!

Issue # 3



Roo's Team Photo

## RESULTS: Round 3, 25 April 2010

Joey Lime	3 – 7	Spring Hills
Joey Blue	0 – 6	Green Gully
Kangaroos	0 – 2	Williamstown

### Roo's – Match Report

Point Cook 0 – 2 Williamstown

#### Round 3 Captain: Henry

Although the score line didn't end in our favour, the Roo's played their best game of the season so far. Williamstown were a worthy opponent, but we were their better in all facets of the game, produced far more opportunities in front of goal and actually had ten shots on target saved. Williamstown's keeper had an outstanding game, and if not for him, we could have won comfortably. Even the Williamstown coach conceded we were the better side on the day, but unfortunately for us, lapses in concentration, where multiple players were caught out of position saw Williamstown going three on one against poor Lucas in goals, not once, but twice. But to our credit, everyone walked off the pitch smiling, and when asked how we lost the game, replied "we were out of position". That proved to me that you are listening and understanding what we do at training. If you keep this up, we will beat more teams than beat us...well done guys.

The first half of the game saw our match captain, Henry playing in central defence. He directed the team around the pitch, showing good positional awareness and leadership. Cooper started in goals, and we walked off the pitch at half time without letting Williamstown score a goal.

Gabe, Kai, Connor and Noah played up front, with Henry joining them in the second half. They each made some impressive plays and we had a lot of great shots at goal. Unfortunately, the Williamstown goal keeper prevented all from landing in the net.

Damian, Keith, Lucas and Cooper played solid in defence. Keith made some exciting intercepts and Damian showed impressive skill on the ball, moving around the opposition and bringing the game forward.

Lucas played in goals for the second half of the match and kept the game to a nil-all score until late in the second half, when our team lost a bit of positional structure allowing Williamstown to sneak in two goals.

A big thank you to Kai's dad, Paul Fletcher for giving his time to be our instructing referee for the game.

Our teamwork and positional play has improved dramatically over the past few weeks. Our next focus for training will be on attacking the ball, game play precision and decision making.



Well, it is difficult to paint a rosy picture from such a heavy defeat but there were some positives.....once again, Yonathon was a standout player for us on the weekend and was visibly upset after the loss.

Along with Andrew up front, if I can get the same level of enthusiasm, not to mention skill, from the rest of the team we will win more games. Aaron played well and is without a doubt quite skilful but I need more “fight” in everyone.

Nicholas & Kaelan gave solid performances but I feel they are both capable of more, having played last year. We had a late withdrawal in the goalkeeping position and this position has been a problem for us in all of our games, no-one in the team can actually take kick-out’s and our opposition are quickly pinning us in to our own half - this is something we are working on but all children must practice this on their own outside of training.

The positive out of the late withdrawal was that Tomas put his hand up to be goalkeeper again and he performed really well with several point blank saves including one from what was a free-kick from about 7 yards out. Well done mate !

Samuel helped out in a defensive position assisting Tomas in repelling the many attacks at goal. Charlie and Angelo are finding the right position and we are looking forward to a more attacking style of play this week. Jake found himself in the clear but had limited opportunities to gain possession .

I don’t want to excuse our poor performance but several boys on the Green Gully team did seem quite “advanced” both physically and in skill level and it did raise my suspicions that some were over-age. However, we are in U9’s and most of our boys are only turning 8 later this year so, perhaps most of these kids were in the 9yo category and this can sometimes make a big difference.

Lastly, could all parents please try your best to let me know at training on Thursday if your child will **not** be available for the weekend game so we can plan accordingly.

**REMINDERS:**

No shin guards = no play / no training

All players are to bring a water bottle to training and game days

Report to coaches on arrival at training and game days

If for you cannot make a training session or game day, please notify your coach



**Half time: Point Cook 1 vs Spring Hills 6**

It is really important that every week when we come to play that we start each game well. In this game we did not concentrate as a team and as a result we did not play well.

All the things we have talked about and have practised at training, positional play, passing and team work were not as good as our previous games.

The good thing was that we talked about these things as a team at half time. And because we all listened and worked together our second half was much better.

Thanks to the efforts of all players we out scored Spring Hills in the second half. Special mention to James, Harrison and Alex who really led way. Next week we must really focus on making a better start.

<b>PLAYERS NAME:</b>	<b>MATCH FEEDBACK</b>
Alex Simonsen	Great defence and passing. Work on tackling and calling team mates.
Lucus Muscat	Good attacking and determination. Work on staying on his feet when tackling.
Oscar Smith	Good keeping and ball control. Work on kick outs and throw outs.
Gerald Agosta	Good defensive play. Work on Positional play in defence.
Jonathan Veleviski	-
Nathan Gray	Good tackling and passing. Work on defensive positional play.
Dean Arapidis	Great tackling and attacking play. Work on staying in position.
Tess Exton	Great passing and dribbling. Work on tackling and running to position.
James Serafingos	Great tackling and goal work. Work on defensive skills.
Harrison Karlsson	Great tackling and passing. Work on defensive play.
Nicholas Matina	Good defence and passing. Work on tackling.
Jackson Beardsley	Great keeping and excellent saves. Keep working on kick outs and throw outs.
Michael Clemente	Good attacking skills and tackling. Work on passing and defensive play.

## **Melbourne Victory Player Visit**

Thursday May 13<sup>th</sup>, 5.00pm – 6.30pm

(Training will continue as normal on this day)



## Round 4: Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> May 2010

### JOEY LIME

Point Cook v Satellite City United

**Venue:** Featherbrook Oval (home game)

**Time:** **10.00am** for 10.30am kick-off

**FFV Grade:** West SSF Boys 9 Joey Lime (Sun)

### JOEY BLUE

Hoppers Crossing SC 2 v Point Cook

**Venue:** Grange Reserve

**Address:** Hogans Road, Hoppers Crossing (Map Ref: 202, C-9)

**Time:** **8.30am** for 9.00am kick-off

**FFV Grade:** West SSF Boys 9 Joey Blue (Sun)

### KANGAROOS

Sydenham Park v Point Cook

**Venue:** Keilor Lodge Reserve

**Address:** Robertsons Road, Sydenham (Map Ref: 3F10)

**Time:** **10.50am** for 11.20am kick-off

**FFV Grade:** West SSF Boys 9 Kangaroos/Joey's (Sun)

Fixtures should be confirmed on Friday at: [www.footballfedvic.com.au](http://www.footballfedvic.com.au)

## Extended Training Times:

All U9 teams will now training from 5.00pm – 6.30pm every Thursday.

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